

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## HOUSE BILL NO. 101

## BY AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

## AN ACT

RELATING TO BEEF PROMOTION; AMENDING SECTION 25-2907, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR A REFUND OF BEEF ASSESSMENTS, TO INCREASE THE ASSESSMENT FOR BEEF PROMOTION AND TO REVISE PROCEDURES; AND REPEALING SECTION 25-2908, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO DISBURSEMENTS.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 25-2907, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

25-2907. ASSESSMENTS – COLLECTION. (1) There is hereby levied and imposed upon all cattle an assessment of not more than fifty cents (50¢) per head, to be paid by the owner. Any person may submit a written request for a refund of the assessment, or any portion thereof, to the council within ninety (90) calendar days of the assessment. The council shall make the requested refunds on a calendar quarterly basis. Any refund request that is received by the council less than fifteen (15) days from the end of the calendar quarter shall be paid at the end of the next quarter.

(2) The assessment imposed by this section shall be collected:

~~(a) Each time a change in ownership of cattle occurs.~~

~~(b) When Idaho cattle leave the state permanently even though no change in ownership occurs.~~

(3) The state brand inspector shall collect state or other beef promotion assessments in addition to, at the same time and in the same manner as the fee charged for the state brand inspection. Such assessment so collected belongs to and shall be paid to the Idaho beef council, either directly or later by remittance together with a report. The council shall reimburse the state brand inspector for the reasonable and necessary expenses incurred for such collection, in an amount determined by the council and the inspector.

(4) In the event the federal beef promotion and research act is no longer in effect:

(a) The Idaho beef council shall have the authority to increase the assessment provided for in subsection (1) of this section to not more than one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.050) per head.

~~(b) Any person may submit a written request for a refund of a collected assessment, or any portion thereof, to the council within thirty (30) calendar days after payment of the assessment. The council shall make the refund no later than sixty (60) calendar days after receipt of the refund request, provided the council has received the assessment from the state brand inspector~~ the assessment, or any portion thereof, to the council within ninety (90) calendar days of the assessment. The council shall make the requested refunds on a calendar quarterly basis. Any refund request that is received by the council less than fifteen (15) days from the end of the calendar quarter shall be paid at the end of the next quarter.

<sup>1</sup> SECTION 2. That Section [25-2908](#), Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.